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E.O. 11652: DGS

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SUBJ: MEETING WITH LUXEMBOURG MINISTER 11 JULY 1977; U.S.

ARMY STORAGE PROJECT

1. AT GOL REQUEST, REPRESENTATIVES OF ODC BELLUX AND
USAREUR MET IN LUXEMBOURG ON JULY 11 WITH MINISTER ON NATIONAL
ECONOMY MARCEL MART, MINISTER OF PUBLIC FORCES (MOD) EMILE
KRIEPS AND LUXEMBOURG B HRESENTATIVE ON U.S. ARMY STORAGE PROJECT.

2. GOL SIDE INDICATED THAT NO SUITABLE EXISTING FACILITIES
ARE AVAILABLE, BUT OFFERED TWO POSSIBLE SITES FOR
CONSTRUCTION, EITHER OF WHICH COULD MEET
MINIMUM TOTAL EQUIPMENT STORAGE REQUIREMENTS (261,000 SQUARE
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METERS).

3. BOTH SITES ARE LOCATED SOUTH OF LUXEMBOURG CITY IN
STEEL INDUSTRY AREA, NEAR THE TOWNS OF SANEM (286
ACRES, 1,157,442 SQ. METERS) AND BETTEMBOURG 128 ACRES,
518,016 SQ. METERS). ON FINANCING, GOL FAVORS HAVING
LUXEMBOURG STEEL INDUSTRY FINANCE, DEVELOP AND BUILD

REQUIRED FACILITIES AT EITHER OR BOTH SITES TO U.S. SPECIFICATIONS, AND PRO-RATE THE COST OVER THE PERIOD OF THE LEASE. U.S. SIDE INDICATED PREFERENCE FOR AGREEMENT WITH LUXEMBOURG MOD WHO WOULD ACT AS EXECUTIVE AGENT AND SUB-CONTRACT AS REQUIRED.

4. SITE SURVEYS WILL BE CONDUCTED DURING PERIOD 25 JULY - 15 AUGUST 1977, FOLLOWED BY SECOND MEETING WITH GOL MINISTERS TO DISCUSS RESULTS AND CONSIDER STEPS TO ARRIVE AT CONTRACT AGREEMENT.

5. PRESS LEAK: THE SOCIALIST NEWSPAPER, TAGEBLATT, CARRIED A SHOR ITEM ON JULY 13 FEATURING THE CREATION OF "1,000 NEW JOBS THROUGH NATO STORAGE PROJECT" IN LUXEMBOURG. THE PAPER REFERRED TO A RELIABLE SOURCE, PRESUMABLY A LEAK FROM A LAGER GOL MEETING SUBSEQUENT TO SUBJECT MEETING, AND DESCRIBED THE PLANNED STORING OF SPARE PARTS AND CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS NOTING THAT NUCLEAR WEAPONS WERE NOT INVOLVED. LOWENSTEIN

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